

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of forest cover out of the total geographical area of the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to open new Indian Institutes of Forest Management in various States including Jharkhand; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a)As per India State of Forest Report-2013, the total forest cover in the country is 697,898 square kilometers which is 21.23% of the total geographical area of the country. The detailed list showing forest cover State/UTs wise along with percentage to the total geographical area is given in Annexure.

(b) & (c) There is no such proposal.
